

**MINUTES OF THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE
ARLINGTON TOMORROW FOUNDATION
August 14, 2014**

The Arlington Tomorrow Foundation Advisory Committee convened in Special Session on August 14, 2014, at 11:00 a.m., in the Arlington City Hall, Conference Room A, 101 W. Abram Street, Arlington, Texas, with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date, place and subject thereof, having been posted as prescribed by V.T.C.A., Government Code, Chapter 551, with the following members present, to-wit:

Committee members:

Mike Gerro

Connie Kerr

Shirley Patterson

Stephen Zimmer

Absent: Committee member Fabian Medrano

And

Carolyn Montesana, Executive Director

Trey Yelverton, City Manager, Ex-officio member

Jennifer Wichmann, Director, Management Resources

Karen Roberts, Grants Coordinator

Tina Stewart, City Secretary's Office

I. Call to Order:

Stephen Zimmer, Advisory Committee Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and stated that the following items would be discussed:

II. Approval of June 12, 2014 Committee meeting minutes

Committee member Connie Kerr made a motion to approve the June 12, 2014 Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Committee member Shirley Patterson, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays. **(APPROVED)**

III. Update on Board of Directors' June Planning Retreat and action items

Carolyn Montesana, Executive Director, Arlington Tomorrow Foundation, provided an overview on the Arlington Tomorrow Foundation's Board retreat. Carolyn briefed the Committee on the Board's ideas for the following:

- Corpus
- Total contributions
- 10 categories
- Multi-year grants
- Advisory's role

IV. Discussion of pending Letters of Inquiry and selection of final applications which will be recommended to Board for final proposals and for grant consideration

Final Applications:

People Category:

1. Arlington Fire Charitable Group – Arlington Fire Department Random Acts of Kindness: \$10,000
Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve funding. Seconded by Committee member Zimmer, the motion carried with the following vote:
Ayes: Committee member Mike Gerro, Committee member Stephen Zimmer, Committee member Connie Kerr, Committee member Shirley Patterson
Nays: NONE
Abstain: NONE
(APPROVED)
2. Boys & Girls Clubs of Arlington – Project learn: \$35,000
Committee member Kerr made a motion to approve funding. Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion carried with the following vote:
Ayes: Committee member Connie Kerr, Committee member Shirley Patterson, Committee member Stephen Zimmer
Nays: NONE
Abstain: Committee member Mike Gerro
(APPROVED)
3. Christian Women's Job Corps of Greater Arlington (CWJC) – CWJC – Women Helping Women: \$8,000
Committee member Kerr made a motion to approve funding. Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion carried with the following vote:
Ayes: Committee member Connie Kerr, Committee member Shirley Patterson, Committee member Mike Gerro, Committee member Stephen Zimmer
Nays: NONE
Abstain: NONE
(APPROVED)

4. Community Partners of Tarrant County, Inc. – Safety First Arlington: \$5,000
Committee member Zimmer made a motion to approve funding. Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion carried with the following vote:
Ayes: Committee member Stephen Zimmer, Committee member Shirley Patterson, Committee member Mike Gerro, Committee member Connie Kerr
Nays: NONE
Abstain:
(APPROVED)
5. Down Syndrome Partnership of North Texas – iCan Bike Camp of North Texas: \$7,336
Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve funding. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with the following vote:
Ayes: Committee member Mike Gerro, Committee member Connie Kerr, Committee member Shirley Patterson, Committee member Stephen Zimmer
Nays: NONE
Abstain: NONE
(APPROVED)
6. Randol Mill Park West Citizens – Extension of Randol Mill Fencing: \$26,000
Committee member Zimmer made a motion to approve funding. Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion failed with the following vote:
Nays: Committee member Mike Gerro, Committee member Connie Kerr
Ayes: Committee member Shirley Patterson, Committee member Stephen Zimmer
Abstain: NONE
(FAILED)

Lifestyle, Leisure and Culture Category:

1. COA-Library – eContent: \$57,000
Committee member Gerro made a motion to approve funding. Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion carried with the following vote:
Ayes: Committee member Mike Gerro, Committee member Shirley Patterson, Committee member Connie Kerr, Committee member Stephen Zimmer
Nays: NONE
Abstain: NONE
(APPROVED)
2. Theatre Arlington – Theatre Arlington 42nd Season: \$25,000
Committee member Patterson made a motion to approve funding. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with the following vote:
Ayes: Committee member Shirley Patterson, Committee member Connie Kerr, Committee member Mike Gerro, Committee member Stephen Zimmer
Nays: NONE
Abstain: NONE
(APPROVED)

3. Green Oaks School – Going Green at Green Oaks School: Learning to Care for Ourselves, Our Community and Our Environment: \$30,000
Committee member Zimmer made a motion to approve funding with a request for the school to match the \$30,000 amount. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with the following vote:
Ayes: Committee member Stephen Zimmer, Committee member Connie Kerr, Committee member Shirley Patterson
Nays: NONE
Abstain: Committee member Mike Gerro
(APPROVED)

Nature and Animals Category:

1. Spay Neuter Network (Kaufman County Animal Awareness) – Fixin’ Felines: \$13,300
Committee member Zimmer made a motion to approve funding. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with the following vote:
Ayes: Committee member Stephen Zimmer, Committee member Connie Kerr, Committee member Mike Gerro, Committee member Shirley Patterson
Nays: NONE
Abstain: NONE
(APPROVED)

Letters of Inquiry:

Lifestyle, Leisure and Culture Category:

1. COA-Parks and Recreation – Entertainment District Sculpture Trail:
Committee member Kerr made a motion to invite final application for grant consideration. Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays.
(APPROVED)
2. Parkview Addition Community – Addition of Security Cameras:
Committee member Gerro made a motion to deny invitation of a final application for grant consideration. Seconded by Committee member Kerr, the motion carried with the following vote:
Ayes: Committee member Mike Gerro, Committee member Connie Kerr, Committee member Stephen Zimmer
Nays: NONE
Abstain: Committee member Shirley Patterson
(DENIED)

People and Neighborhoods Category:

1. Communities Foundation of Texas/North Texas Giving Day – North Texas Giving Day:

Committee member Zimmer made a motion to invite a final application and approve funding with modifications for a structured drawing. (Three award presentations in increments of \$10,000). Seconded by Committee member Gerro, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays.

(APPROVED)

2. Arlington Urban Ministries – Thriving Families:

Committee member Zimmer made a motion to invite final application for grant consideration. Seconded by Committee member Patterson, the motion carried with 4 ayes and 0 nays.

(APPROVED)

V. Future Agenda Items

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

Stephen Zimmer, Chair

ATTEST:

Mary W. Supino, City Secretary